

TEUTONS DECLARE MARTIAL LAW IN ODESSA ITALY LAUNCHES A BIG OFFENSIVE

ITALIANS IN BIG OFFENSIVE AGAINST ENEMY

Have Suddenly Taken the Initiative on Plateau of Asiago Against the Austrians.

NOT WAIT ANY LONGER

Their Move in Taking the Lead Has ad Many Precedents in War for a Defense.

DATELESS—A summary to the Associated Press says the rugged peaks of the Asiago Plateau on the Italian front again are flamed into action.

The offensive, however, this time is taken by the Italians and the Austro-German forces, instead of launching the long expected attack on the Italian lines, are compelled to fight hard to maintain their positions held since November.

The fact that the Italian forces took the initiative seems to indicate that they are seeking to carry the fight to the enemy in such a way as to break up any arrangements for launching a strong Teutonic assault.

This move had many precedents in war, a strong offensive at a threatened point, being considered good defensive tactics under certain conditions.

IS BITTER FIGHTING
VIENNA, May 17.—An official bulletin says there is bitter fighting between the Brenta and Piave rivers on the Italian front.

SAYS KERENSKY IS COMING TO UNITED STATES

Former Premier of Russia Due Inside of a Week, According to New York Paper.

NEW YORK, May 17.—The Call, a Socialist organ, says former Premier Kerensky of Russia, will arrive in the United States inside of another week.

Kerensky was ousted by Leon Trotsky and Nikolai Lenin. He was reported captured and killed several times when the Bolsheviks came into control. It is claimed of him that he still retains a strong hold upon the conservative element of the Russian people.

PASSENGERS ON STEAMER SPOKANE FOR JUNEAU CITY

SEATTLE, May 17.—The steamer Spokane sailed last night with the following named passengers for Juneau:

Carl Alstead, Mrs. B. Alstead, Richard Vawh, G. J. McIntyre, J. A. Richards, Mr. and Mrs. Ben Sacks, T. J. Comean, Floyd Comean, Mrs. Roy Datson and baby, Fred Hamberg, Mr. and Mrs. William R. Grey, Granville Grey, W. S. Kje.

LARGE SUPPLIES FROM RUMANIA EXPECTED BY HUNS

BERLIN (May 17).—Germany expects to receive 150,000 sheep, 50,000 pigs from Rumania, and 100,000 tons of cereals in July and August.

Stock Quotations

NEW YORK, May 17.—Alaska Gold closed at 1%.
Chino at 45%.
Ray at 26.
American Zinc at 18.
Butte & Superior at 27%.
Utah Copper at 83%.

ITALY ANXIOUS FOR AMERICANS TO COME THERE

Will Greatly Hearten Soldier and Civilian Population for the Offensive.

GERMAN AGENTS BUSY

Claim that United States Is Only Bluffing and Will Leave Italy to Herself.

WASHINGTON, May 17.—Italy in asking for the transfer of American troops to her borders conveyed the information that the Nation has plenty of man-power but is desirous of the inspiration that will afford the civilian and soldier population in the face of threatened Teuton offensive.

It is pointed out the sending of Americans to Italy would also convince the Italian people that the United States stands firmly behind them. German propaganda is active in Italy from Sicily to the Alps, telling the people they are to be left to their own resources, fighting for a hopeless cause, and that the United States is only bluffing.

CASUALTY LIST OF AMERICANS GETTING BIG

Fifteen Were Killed in Action from Yesterday's Report and Eight Missing.

WASHINGTON, May 17.—The American casualty list yesterday contained 116 names. Fifteen were killed in action, six died of wounds, six died of diseases, one died of gas, 12 were severely wounded, 60 were slightly wounded and eight have been missed in action.

WAITING FOR BOAT

WHITEHORSE, Y. T., May 17.—People are beginning to gather here to wait for the first boat down the Yukon river.

OVER FOUR BILLION

WASHINGTON, May 17.—It is unofficially reported that the total of the Third Liberty Loan is over \$4,000,000,000 and may reach \$4,250,000,000.

SEARCH FOR MISSING BABY



MARION ROSSY
Kidnapped Baby

More than one hundred and fifty detectives are searching for Marion Rossy, the eight-months-old baby believed to have been kidnapped in New York by Miss Blossom Harris, a motion picture and cabaret actress. The actress was last seen running away with the baby, which she borrowed upon the pretense of using her in a movie scene.

JUNEAU MUST ACT ON THE FISHERIES QUESTION--AND ACT IMMEDIATELY

Juneau must give the fishermen free dockage and plenty of it, or she might as well quit talking about becoming a center for the fisheries industry, and she must not expect one man or one company to do it for her. It might be said that the dockage charge fixed by the Alaska Supply Company is reasonable, and it is even to the point of being cheap. A fishing boat of fifty feet or less can use it for \$4 a week. But that is not the point. The rule in Southeastern Alaskan towns is to give free dockage to fishermen, and Juneau must comply with the rule, and she must not ask the Alaska Supply Company, or any other private concern, to carry the load.

Further than that, Juneau must see that fishermen can sell their fish and purchase ice and other supplies here on such terms as will make it profitable for them to come here, or get out of the game. This is a matter for immediate attention. It cannot be postponed. It must be settled now. The Empire believes that it will be settled now, for it believes that Juneau has no intention of getting out of the fisheries game.

LEADERS BOTH SIDES DEFER TO PRESIDENT

Agree to Sidetrack Senator Chamberlain Resolution Until Next Monday.

COMPROMISE IS LIKELY

President Says His Opposition Is Due to Covert Purpose of the Measure.

WASHINGTON, May 17.—President Wilson's wishes against the resolution of George E. Chamberlain of Oregon, which the President considered proposed a general investigation into the conduct of the war, have prevailed in the Senate where the leaders on both sides agreed not to bring the resolution up until Monday.

Meanwhile a compromise is considered likely. President Wilson has authorized Secretary Tumulty to deny the statement that the President is opposed to an investigation into the aircraft production by the Senate Military Committee.

The President is opposed to the covert purpose of Senator Chamberlain's resolution, because he knows what its purpose is.

PARLIAMENT FOR BRITISH IS ADJOURNED

No Sign of Long Delayed Irish Home Rule Bill Put in An Appearance.

LONDON, May 17.—The House of Commons adjourned last night until May 28th, without any sign of the long delayed Irish Home Rule bill. Apparently the Government has no idea when the bill will be introduced.

TORPEDO SINKS DUTCH VESSEL USED BY U. S.

WASHINGTON, May 17.—The Navy Department reports that the steamship Zaanland, one of the Dutch vessels recently requisitioned by the United States, was sunk in a collision at sea on May 13th. All on board were rescued. The vessel was a cargo carrier of 8,700 tons dead weight. She had been manned by the Navy for Army purposes.

Tides Tomorrow

MAY 18th.
Low water 1.09 a.m. 5.3 feet
High water 6.57 a.m. 11.6 feet
Low water 1.20 p.m. 3.3 feet
High water 7.58 p.m. 12.9 feet

FISH QUESTION IS DISCUSSED IN ALL ANGLES

Dealers and Captains and Officials Say Something Must Be Done to Keep Trade.

TIME FOR ACTION HERE

They Tell About Lack of Ice, Delays in Port, Dock Charges and Prices.

A serious situation has arisen in Juneau within the past few days with regard to the fish business and the entire waterfront is buzzing with talk about the ice shortage, the lack of landing places for the fishing boats and the probability of the entire fishing fleet leaving Juneau for towns where they get better accommodations, unless something is done at once.

Eleven boats have been in the Channel for the past several days waiting for a supply of ice some of them having been held here since Monday. Ice is a necessity to the fisherman and every day's delay, while waiting for a supply, means a loss of not less than \$240 to each boat. It is asserted that the lack of free dockage space will also tend to drive the fishing fleet from Juneau, because free dockage and plenty

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TRAINING BOATS ARE SECURED FOR OUR NEW SEAMEN

SEATTLE, May 17.—The Government is to charter the Puget Sound passenger boats Iquois and Chipewa for the training of men to man the new merchant marine. The large headquarters in West Seattle will be used as a base of operations.

CREEL BACKING UP ABOUT HIS STATEMENTS

WASHINGTON, May 17.—George Creel has written Chairman Edward W. Poirer of North Carolina, of the Committee of Rules in the House, saying that he had no intention of making any reflections on Congress in his much discussed and recent New York speech, in which he was quoted as saying that inasmuch as he did not enjoy slumming, he would not explore the hearts of Congressmen.

Creel apologized for his speech and letter and said he regretted the incident deeply.

MUCH SUMMER FREIGHT

SKAGWAY, May 17.—Indications are that there will be considerable freight for the Interior over the White Pass Railway and down the Yukon this summer.

METHOD USED BY GERMANY NOT APPROVED

She Must Come Out in a Straight Forward Manner Regarding Her Peace Terms.

OPINION OF BALFOUR

He Says That the Teutons So Far Haven't Shown a Desire for Honorable Peace.

LONDON, May 17.—The declaration of Foreign Secretary Balfour in the House of Commons that England was ready to consider honorable peace, has been featured by the newspapers.

The Foreign Secretary said any person having peace proposals must advance them in a straightforward manner and have proper credentials that he is an accredited representative.

"We are ready to listen to any such proposals," he said, "for England is desirous of an honorable termination of the war, but the peace moves heretofore made by the Teutons have not been in the interests of fair and honorable peace."

The fact that Austria had advanced peace proposals through a third party, was given as an instance of the indirect methods pursued.

ARE TRAINING WITH BRITISH ON NORTH FRONT

Recent American Arrivals Are Assisting Veteran Troops in Blocking the Germans.

WITH THE AMERICAN ARMY, May 17.—Troops of the new American Army have arrived within the zone of the British and French in Northern France and are completing their training in the area occupied by veteran troops who are blocking the path of the Germans to Channel ports.

Personnel of Troops

WASHINGTON, May 17.—The troops referred to in the foregoing are forces being brigaded and trained with the British on the Flanders front. They probably will not be detached from Pershing's present forces. They are a part of the new movement of troops from the United States, hinted at in a forecast made by Premier Lloyd George some time ago.

CARROLL PROMOTED FOR SERVICES BY FRENCH GOVERNMENT

PARIS, May 17.—Alexis Carroll, of the Rockefeller Institute, has been promoted by the French Government to the rank of Commander in the Legion of Honor for distinguished services.

ALASKAN SHOTS HIS HUN FROM OUT OF THE AIR

Activity of Americans in Getting German Airmen on the Toul Sector Continues.

BRITISH BOMB RAILWAY

Germans Resort to Tricks to Try and Keep American Patrols from "Dead-land."

WITH THE AMERICANS, May 17.—American aviators northwest of Toul downed another German aviator this morning. No details have been received. It appears that Lieut. Edward Rickenbacker attacked and shot one down inside the German lines. On Wednesday last Captain David Peterson, of Pennsylvania, downed a German monoplane. Captain Kenneth Marr, of California, destroyed a German biplane on the same day.

IS AN ALASKAN

SEATTLE, May 17.—Captain Kenneth Marr is a pioneer of Alaska. He prospected around Nome and came out a year ago with Scotty Allan. Rickenbacker was formerly an automobile racer. He received the French War Cross Wednesday for downing a German aeroplane a fortnight ago.

RAILWAYS ARE BOMBED

LONDON, May 17.—Despite determined opposition from the Germans, the British aviators Thursday bombed factories and the railway station at Saarbrücken in Germany and Lorraine, starting fires on the railway. The British then turned on the German airmen and downed five of the enemy planes. One British machine was lost.

AMERICANS TOO ACTIVE

WITH THE AMERICANS, May 17.—The Germans opposite to the American forces northwest of Toul are resorting to the use of infernal machines to check the activity of American patrol work. Many Americans every night roam No-Man's Land virtually at will. A member of the American patrol recently stepped on a harmless looking wire near the German lines and bombs exploded in the center of the patrol group. It had been planted by the enemy. The Americans at once penetrated an abandoned trench and waited for the expected fight. No Germans, however, came forth.

TEN ARE KILLED

PARIS, May 17.—Ten passengers were killed when the French steamer Atlantica was torpedoed, but not sunk, in the Mediterranean Sea early this month.

NOTED ACTOR JOINS MARINES



ERNEST GLENDINNING

Ernest Glendinning, the actor, who has played the leading rôle in several popular theatrical productions, has joined the American army. In reply to a letter he received from E. H. Sothern asking him to join the Overseas Actors' Division, he expressed his preference for the fighting line, where Americans are in greater need.

MARTIAL LAW IS DECLARED IN ODESSA

Much Street Fighting with Austrian Patrols Who Are Constantly on Duty.

ALLIES STILL WAITING

Believed That Next Thrust by Germans Will be the Crucial Battle.

LONDON, May 17.—The Austrian Commander has declared martial law for Odessa at the request of the Germans.

Street fighting is reported there. Austrian patrols are kept on the streets day and night. Thousands of people are fleeing from the city.

ALLIES WAITING

WITH THE BRITISH, May 17.—The Allies are still waiting for Gen. von Hindenburg to show his hand. Despite the magnificent weather prevailing, the fronts are very quiet.

However, the enemy may strike at any time. It is believed that the next German thrust will be of great magnitude and fierceness. The next battle may prove crucial, for the Germans will undoubtedly try to smash through the Allies' lines.

VIOLENT ARTILLERYING
PARIS, May 17.—Violent artillerying was reported this morning near Hall and Southeast of Amiens.

GERMANY'S ONLY SHOW

LONDON, May 17.—British military experts say if the Germans cannot break through in their next offensive, it will be the beginning of the end, for the Teutons know, with the growing power of the Americans, the Allies will soon resume the offensive.

BE DISAPPOINTED

BERNE, May 17.—In a speech before the Wuertemberg Diet, Herr Haasman, one of the leaders of the Progressive party, said that the fifth Winter for the war was now inevitable. He said the Germans must make up their mind to face disappointment, instead of victory hoped for during the summer.

AMERICAN VESSEL IS TORPEDOED BUT NO LOSS OF LIFE

WASHINGTON, May 17.—The Navy Department announces that the American steamer Maches, a cargo carrier of 7,000 tons, was torpedoed on the night of May 14th. There was no loss of life.

STEAMER MOVEMENTS and Mail Information

TOW BOUND NORTH
Spokane will be due from the South next Tuesday. Has mail.
Alaska is Northbound and will be due Sunday with mail.
Prince Rupert is Northbound and will be due Sunday evening. Has no mail.
SCHEDULED SAILINGS
City of Seattle is scheduled to sail from Seattle Monday.
Princess Sophia is scheduled to sail from Vancouver tomorrow night.
Alaska is scheduled to sail from Seattle next Friday.
Admiral Farragut is scheduled to sail from Seattle tomorrow.
SOUTHBOUND SAILINGS
Jefferson is scheduled to sail southbound this evening.
Northwestern is scheduled to sail southbound next Tuesday.
Prince Rupert is scheduled to sail southbound Monday.